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The White House Lightning Rods.

A new set of lightning rods is to be provided for the White House at Washington. "They are being placed on the twelve chimneys and points to arrest the lightning," says the official announcement, and will be placed at intervals of five feet along a cable which runs around the parapet. No rods, however are to be raised over the executive offices adjoining the mansion."

Thunderstorms of destructive violence have been unusually prevalent this year. In rural Germany, where the percentage of mortality from lightning is always greater than elsewhere, many such storms have occurred this season; and on the other hand numerous fatalities from thunderbolts have been reported from Ireland, a country which is ordinarily quite free from such accidents. Our own Weather Bureau has recorded electric disturbances of unusual severity in the South and West. The protection of the White House

by lightning rods is a matter of a good deal of general interest in one respect. It ought to serve as a guide to the best method of safeguarding buildings against injury from lightning. The the army engineers, the scientific officers of the navy and the men of science connected with the Smithsonian Institution and the Weather Bureau of the Department of Agriculture, ought to have at its command a body of excharges in thunderstorms. It is to be assumed that the custodians of the White House have availed themconductors for the protection of the numerous official publications of the ing points and their number in propor- of access. tion to the area of the roof, and the below the surface.

Professor JOHN TROWBRIDGE of Hartion for a building against lightning was Alps that is comparatively little known play at after years of effort is unfortuto surround it by a cage of wire, like to the ordinary tourist, but which has nate. For ourselves we believe it, but a great bird cage. It was only neces, always offered a delightful journey by even belief brings resentment. What white arch. The floods covered with sary that the wires should touch the diligence. While it is not one of the earth on all sides. Professor Trow-BRIDGE is one of the most distinguished eight and a half miles long-it presents physicists in this country, and some a great many of the difficulties of build-stitution sacred and deserving reverpeople have long wondered why this ling that were experienced in the Simplan of his has not been tried.

The Boycott in the Egean.

experience in the boycott as a means in considerably less degree. The two of enforcing a national demand against bores of the tunnel have already been a foreign State. In this bitter commer, completed for nearly six and a quarter cial war, in which Turkey is the aggres- miles, and unless some unforeseen cir- Fortunately the injury in Mr. BENNET'S baric rhythm and gypsy tang sor. Italy is so far the greatest beneficiary and Greece the loser Those finished before the year is ended. At aggressive Turks who were disappointed the same time the approaches are being at not having found a cause for war in rapidly advanced. Northward the line the Cretan question, and who believed is to Frutigen and Spiez, and southward that Greece was really back of the island- to Brieg on the Simplon route. The mind to keep up with the achievements of which he pronounces just as the meriers' opposition to Turkish sovereignty, completion of this tunnel will give a undertook, partly in a spirit of revenge and partly as a means of enforcing the Milan and will modify very materially Ottoman demands, to boycott Greece and everything Greeian.

first to Constantinople and then to all Simplon route which are to be carried the ports where Grecian products had into effect. The approach from the been received. The violence that was French side will be quickened by the displayed in the early stages has been short cut between Frasnes and Vallerbe Montana or anywhere else where life is put down, but as the Ottoman Govern- on the line from Paris to Lausanne and ment maintains that the boycott is un- will do away with the awkward corner at official it cannot repress it. In many Pontarlier. Another short cut will be cases Ottoman Greeks are even boy- made from Montiers to Granges on the cottes on account of their known sym- Belford-Berne line, which it is believed pathies. At Trebizond Turkish shops will attract traffic from Dieppe and Holwhich employed Greek assistants from land. The convention also settled two Crete were closed. The boycott is not other questions of importance by allow- and so justly horored not long ago by confined to Hellenie steamers and goods, ing improvements to be made on the but persons and firms are forbidden to exercise their trades by local commit- inadequate on the Italian side, and took tees. At many places even the branch measures that leave the way open to of the Bank of Athens is not spared, the tunnelling of Mont Blanc. Greek subjects are not allowed to land at A new route wholly within Switzer several ports, although they are passen- land will have its chief importance in

were several Greek clerks on board.

by the boycott, have been under the a "round tour" of Switzerland possible. necessity of making protests. But

there seems to be no abatement either, questionably does his cour, and the in the strength or the effectiveness of traveller a service, it cannot said that the boycott. The only satisfaction that he adds very materially to idelights the Hellenic Minister at Constantinople of travel, for his idea of a succeful railthat Greece must stop military prepara- the greatest number of complied tun- sul. Entered at the Foot different New York as Second tions along the border. There was a nels. While it is interesting traverse degree of humor in this reply from the the interior of the Alps or to escrew fact that Turkey was not likely to be up the inside of a mountain half a se se perturbed by any military preparation dozen turns, yet it must be admin that that Greece might make at that point, the scenic features offered by ch a In fact it seems that the Turkish author- route are not especially edifying to ities have been inclined to take rather. It is not strange, then, that is inding a good hotel in St. Petersburg? ence somewhat beneficial to Hellenic tour of Switzerland available sunor Association at 170 Nassau street, in the Borough of Manhattan, New York. President of the Association. Edward P. Mitchell, 170 Nassau street, to think serves as a hint that the boycott the tunnel routes and are showing value. Figure of the Association, M. F. Laffan, 170 will not be lifted until Greece stops fossovereignty.

If our friends who fasor us with manuscripts for by the inability to make collections. The will yet triumph. publication wish to have rejected articles returned they general perturbed condition of the country is no doubt responsible for the recent unfortunate incident with Ruthe Pirseus, where a Greek mob attacked whether he played "bridge" the Rumanian mail boat Imperatul Traby the German Emperor, in which he congratulated the children of the royal family on having escaped from the danger of a "brutal aggression." Rumania immediately felt called upon to insist upon very exacting terms of redress.

The Greek national assembly, of which so much is expected, will meet next month. The greatest problem with which it will have to deal is that of relations with Turkey." This is complicated by the fact, which is generally known, that the Turkish boycotters are receiving encouragement from rivals of Greece whose trade is being benefited by her heiplessness. With business throughout the country almost paralyzed, friends of Greece fear that the assembly will be forced to make concessions that she would otherwise not make to Turkey Government of the United States, in throttling grip on the country's comin order to induce her to remove her

Tunnels and Scenery.

Switzerland, with its picturesque and interesting scenery, and its position as pert knowledge on the subject of a mountain barrier between the north atmospheric electricity and the means and south of Europe, attracts to its railof averting dangerous electric discommensurate with the size of the work. Swiss railroads are as much a means of entertainment as of transportation for seives of the information and advice the multitudes of summer visitors that obtainable from these sources in select- annually fill the country; they are very ing and applying a system of lightning important to the expedition of much of the traffic of the Continent, and they official residence of the President. A furnish a highly interesting object lesdetailed account of precisely what has son in engineering skill and resourcefulbeen done in this respect, and why it ness. The engineers of that country has been done, could not fail to be of are never satisfied with their achievehas been done, could not fail to be of general interest and value, and might general interest and value, and might ments, but are constantly undertaking pretation of signals, on the clarification of signals, on the clarification of the furnished in some one of the signal interest and value, and might fresh enterprises, with the result that the furnished in some one of the signal interest and value, and might fresh enterprises, with the result that the furnished in some one of the signal interest and value, and might fresh enterprises, with the result that the furnished in some one of the signal interest and value, and might fresh enterprises, with the result that the furnished in some one of the signal interest and value, and might fresh enterprises, with the result that Government, telling us, for example, the the Alps frequently undergo important and the newspapers are never without material, size and method of construc- changes, while at the same time much discussion. In the exchanges of salutation of the rods, the system of insula- of the new country is being opened up tion in civilized and cultivated circles tion, if any; the height of the project- to the tourist that was before difficult

The latest work of the engineer is the character of the ground terminals and Loetschberg Tunnel through the Berthe depth to which they are carried nese Obertand Alps, with one end at Kandersteg and the other at Goppenward used to say that the best protec- he south of Lake Thun, a part of the taneous mastery of a game they still longest tunnels of Europe-it is only plon. The builders have encountered warm springs and high rock temperatures, but managed them with less trou-Southern Europe is having a new ble than in the Simplon, since they were view. Such a denial would indicate a cers in gorgeous uniformsail smoking cumstance arises the tunnel may be much shorter cut across Switzerland to

central European train service. The recent Convention of Berne has The movement spread from Salonica allowed for several improvements in the Mont Cenis line, which is at present so

gers by steamers flying the Turkish flag, the tourist travel. This road is pro-A French steamer was boycotted be- jected through the cantons Valais, cause the captain was a Greek, a con- Uri and Grissons and will join Distentis signment of petroleum from Russia to and Brieg. The length of the line will a Russian merchant was not permitted be exactly 100 kilometers, and will te be landed because it was carried in a reach its highest point under the Furka Orseck steamer, and an English vessel Pass, where a tunnel 1,855 meters long was similarly treated because there will be constructed. There has never been a connecting line of railroad be-The Consuls of every European nation tween the east and the southeast, but except Italy, which has been benefited this line will complete the link and make

While the Swiss railroad builder un-

an amused view of the situation, as if of the earnest efforts of the Swisail- He said there was one very good hotel they considered the disciplinary experi- road builders to make an undergind usually patronized by foreigners, and that frontier for accommodations At the tourist office in Berlin I remarked it was my understanding that the Russian of satisfaction. tering the Cretan delusion of Greek tains instead of under them. Last ye railways were of a different gauge and tains instead of under them. Last ye supposed that a change of cars would be the diligences ran over the St. Gotha necessary. The man behind the counter Greece is in poor condition to with- Pass for the first time in many years at assured me that the train de luxe runs stand this stiffing of her trade. Turkey every seat was booked far ahead. Thinough, and his statement is confirmed action street. Regent street, and Daw's Steamship was one of the principal consumers of Furka Pass is considered one of the mosby the portier of the hotel, who says that her products, and she had a good trade beautiful roads in Switzerland and these wheels are automatically adjustable Paris office At Rue Louis is Grand. The daily and along the Egean and the Asiatic Turkish daily diligence is always full. The roadpon the axles and adapt themselves to coasts, but even before the boycott be- over the Simplon Pass is crowded with ther the German gauge of four feet eight gan all business in Greece had been vehicles at the height of the season, and id one-half inches or the Russian gauge of seriously affected by the long dispute even the long neglected St. Bernard Pass e feet. This appeals to me as a bit of between the Government and the mili- is coming back into popularity. It is tary league, and the question of taxes quite possible that in spite of the efforts fitter, however, it develops that the only lating and typewriting establishment and money for the support of the Gov- of the tunnel builders the scenery, with statment for passage from the Gerernment has been greatly complicated the help of automobiles and diligences, m to the Russian rails is by adapting building with walls three or four feet

A Political Error

From an extensive interview with the mania, in which Greece was mulcted for Hon. WILLIAM S. BENNET printed in heavy damages. This incident, which the Evening Post we take the follow- Unit States, where the gauge of many has only just been settled, occurred at ing answer to a natural inquiry as to

jan, frightening a young Rumanian from Europe with the Immigration Commission princess who was a passenger. This I played on shipboard every day with a conoccurrence received perhaps undue rental group. I learned on the ship, and I forgot attention on account of a telegram sent it all in five minutes after landing on this side. practice to use either locomotives or must have learned well, for they told me i missed only two opportunities to take a trick on the whole voyage."

> Familiar the citizens of this town naturally are with the fact that the Hon. of the fure WILLIAM S. BENNET has ever been a marvellous boy." For twenty years Every pieof baggage has to be opened. now-or is it thirty?-his incomparable and it is smined thoroughly but withimmaturity, his unconquerable childish- out mussi of the contents. The offiness, has been the wonder of his neigh- cers speakinglish and are politeness bors, the delight of his friends. Early itself. On gistering at the hotel my and veracious descriptions of his child- passport isurrendered to be filed in hood supplied by himself prove that before he was a wonderful boy he was eight hours tice must be given. an infant prodigy. This naturally explains the ease with which things most the rooms we urnished, clean and comdifficult are mastered by him.

> bear questioning its wisdom. Mr. BEN- the window is mounted policeman; a NET is a candidate for nomination as sword hangs and side and a rifle rests Governor of this State. Within its lim- walk through a streets that the able its the number of voters who practise bodied men are nostly in soldiers' unithe game of "bridge" is considerable. forms. The Statesman's Year Book for 1909 sets the figure at 93%,541. Unofficial the signs above ie shops are in Roman at 967,450. Now it must be perfectly think, that such a statement as that we have quoted would instantly affront all the J having a eculiar effect, which

> of them. what trade, what occupation is followed letter Y is he slating of the I into the ences," volumes are published daily, men no longer inquire after the health How do you do?"

Therefore the confession the proclamation, by a candidate for the sufstein. It pierces one of the peaks that frages of bridge players of his instancredulity does not suffice, who perceive in it not merely an affront upon an inence but also an assertion devoid of actual truth?

> ary serious candidacy for public office. case will not be so serious.

Two new aviation records at Bétheny resterday; and made probably only to be broken in a day or two. It takes a swift these coursers of the air.

No heat of temper or temperature can justify our unregenerate contemporary the Anaconda Standard in condensing its philosophy into this too savage shape:

" Life is still one damn thing after another." Forgive the rudeness of the form on account of the value of the substance, and consider how beautiful it is to dwell in undulating and various. So long as life our own country a waiter may bring the is not one and the same old thing always, exact number of cigars of the brand resurely it may be lived happily, even with-

out an automobile. Pondering the virtues of our trusty and well beloved friend Dr. CURTIS GUILD, the University of Geneva for his theolog-Divinity) which was conferred upon Mr. GUILD at Geneva." As to the differing further:

"13e former degree is properly confer

This is an alluring, and may be a coret, explanation of Dr. Guild's S. T. D. which has so stirred the envy of his rivals. and indeed of politicians generally. The fact remains that if Governor Guild's rightbous conduct was incidentally rewarded at Geneva, it was his theological virtues and his homilies that endeared him to the university dons.

SIDELIGHTS IN EUROPE. St. Petersburg.

A foreigner cannot gain admittance to London I asked, "Will I have any trouble in ---?" Right there the Deputy Consul replied, "You will if you mix up in poli-I assured him that nothing could tics." be further from my intention and that my few words were but the beginning of the question, "Will I have any trouble in it would be wise to telegraph from the

awakens a lively curiosity. At the in tch a corresponding compartment has beckenerved for me. Later I learn that the seian gauge was established at five feet accordance with the practice of the of tharly railroads was five feet. When half ites as its standard Russia did not "I can play it. When I was coming bome chang It is well she did not, for masters of trajortation in the United States foreseque time when our railroads must be rebt with a wider gauge. It is not cars there higher, wider or longer than the larg now in service, and therefore sooner outer radical measures will have to be tak to move the increasing traffic

> It is a difficult to get into Russia. the office of e inspector of police until the time of eparture, of which forty-

The hotel of modern construction, fortable. At if past 2 on this seven-Yet without doubting the accuracy teenth day opecember it is twilight of the statement it is impossible to for- and at 4 o'cok quite dark. Outside

"In the countre of western Europe may be unfamiliathey do not seem altodifference, the paximity of the I and tion is protounce as Y and arrive at In modern society what business, the teduction tha the genesis of the they bowl along eep up an incessant Art Gallery. yelling to clear th way. At night their patrons are largelafficers in respiendent Throughout my stay there has been at a bear den.

The dining room of b hotel is a great then must be the emotion of those whose a blazing red carpet: the tables are large lamps with greathades that are alternately of flaming d and flaming yellow. The two or thr, head waiters are in the evening dres that is conventional for waiters id gentlemen; the side waiters and the mnibus boys We hope the Hon. WILLIAM S. BEN- wear bright red coats. t the tables NET will deny the Evening Post inter- are heavy black eyed woen and offirecognition and recantation of a grave cigarettes and drinking cole from the error which might easily prove fatal to glass braziers in which it bla in front of them. A very good orchera is playing Tschaikowskylike thingwith bar

> Many of the under waiters he brown faces of a dark copper tinge, wh large appealing eyes, and they are vy deliberate in movement. I asked, head waiter, who says they are "I tas." canism that means "good-by for little while," and he tells me that the are sought as waiters because although wally somewhat stupid they are thorothly honest. What a revelation! My ideaf a Tatar was of a wiry and ferocious dividual better suited for slaughteng cattle than serving their filets, but the "Ta tas" are plump and mild. May they are a domesticated variety.

I ask for a cigar. Now at a hotel quested, or he may bring a tray of mans compartments filled with different kinds of cigars, from which selection may be your readers explain why the census made; or, as at one or two of the swagger are have not received the hotels in New York, an abominably big Jr., sometime Governor of Massachusetta glass case filled with different varieties. each receptacle bearing a price label is wheeled to your chair. In Germany a ical merits, the Boston Transcript is moved waiter brings an armful of cigars in the to remind a shallow world that it was the original boxes, which he flaps open on the degree of S. T. D. (Doctor of Sacred The- table with marvellous dexterity. At ology) and not that of D. D. (Doctor of this hotel in St. Petersburg the manager of the dining room, a handsome man with lustrous brown eyes and neatly pointed giories of these palms we are instructed soft brown beard, in immaculate evening attire, approaches with an engaging blending of cordiality and deference recognition of great research or learning in theo legical matters, or righteous conduct in public station, and is not necessarily confined to clergymen, as seems to be often supposed."

Distribution of great research or learning in theological matters, or righteous conduct in public are two or three cigars each of choice brands and extends it with the air of one constants. gentleman offering a cigar to another; but the weed turns up in the bill. The "Fancy Tales" that retail at 40 cents each in New York are charged to your account at 75 cents each in this hotel in St. Petersburg. A day or two later this charming manager confides to me that the cigar

trade of the hotel is his "benefice." When I buy eigars at a tobacconist's there

comes a glimmer of understanding of the procedure of the courteous major domo of the dining room. The Russian Government exacts a tax upon each sale, no Russia without a passport or without that matter how trifling. Open boxes are not received by his protest was the warning road often seems to be one taining passport being vised by a Russian Con- kept in a case from which one or two cigars In this ceremony at the consulate in can be purchased. Cigars are done up in bearing the proper excise stamp. an isinglass top, through which the contents can be inspected. I knew no French and the tobacconist no English, but it soon developed that most of them knew German. Speaking generally English and German are the business languages of the Continent. The reflection that I

was under no compulsion to learn the

Russian language was a frequent source

My fidus Achates in St. Petersburg was Madame Verleagin, who has been the clerk at the American Consulate for eighteen years. She knows Russian, German, French, English and Italian, and knows them well. She attends to about all of a child. the routine business of the consulate, makes the necessary translations and drafts many of the reports. Her duties there occupy her from 9 to 3 o'clock; after 3 o'clock and on indefinitely through the which she maintains in a great stone mwn feet to the walk of thirty yards or thick that was erected as a Jesuit college so im the German to the Russian train. in the sixteenth century. Madame Verleagin accompanied me to the Ministry as my interpreter, and the Cabinet Minis ters, all of whom seemed to know her, received her with profound respect. She knew just what books and documents I needed to consult, procured and transour Catry adopted four feet eight and a lated them for me. At the establishment in the old Jesuit college typists turned out work in German, French and English. and two or three of the machines had keyboards with the Russian characters. There we worked afternoon after afternoon and night after night. The through train to Berlin runs only twice a week, leaving St. Petersburg Sunday evening and Wednes day evening. On Tuesday night at piano; the presence of a Steinway grand had made me curious. After her modest admission that she played sometimes I urged her to make the sacrifice that would soothe my weary brain. She ordered a cessation of the clicking of the half dozen typewriters still at work in an adjoining room and sent for one of her about quite penniless, and he travelled some colleagues, a masculine looking woman fifty miles and came across a fir tree. This with short hair, an expert translator, who tree was so like the one he painted by the had just done Sven Hedin's last book side of those cranes, but it had one branch into English. Madame Verleagin played the piano and her colleague the violin the piano and her colleague the violin. Any music would have been welcome, but this was a treat. After the first number I asked Madame Verleagin where she had and added the one branch on his fir tree learned to play. For many years she and ran away. had been a pupil of Rubinstein. Families as in the United States, compelling their children there as here to face the world.

It is my last day in St. Petersburg and there has been no sightseeing. The full feeling, that feeling is actually realized returns for the recent census place them letters, so that Ithough the language Consul obligingly takes me to the cathedrais, with their receptacles of gold and leaf of a bamboo, if the artist painted with certain to Mr. BENNET, if he stops to getaer strange n Holland there is a brass and their great columns of onyx, sad feeling, it looks sad. I am talking this porphyry and alabaster, that seem to from the rule of energy. In some of those passes as you leen that the combina- Revelation. At the doors are rows them the potential energy will become into of beggars, shattered and orippled, in active and give you some feeling which the each with a regular place in the line. Certainly Okyo must have watched more industriously, studied more care- J; but the Fassiar signs in the Russian Although we are both accredited by the waterfall day after day, until he felt as if fully, practised more faithfully than characters have, pronounced foreign United States Government, the sentries he himself were water; then he indicated that of "heiden"? A difference in the flavor. There are the dronkys just as a three pronounces of the Winter his feeling on the slik with his brush. Look fully, practised more faithfully than characters are a pronounced formula that of "bridge"? A difference in the flavor. Ther are the droshkys just as in the picture, with high arched yoke Palace play pingpong with us, and finally. system of discard not infrequently dis- in the picture, with high arched yoke Palace play pingpong with us, and finally, system of discard not infrequently dis-rupts a household. Cause for separa-in fur cap an a coat with skirt girdled Court are not in the city, tell us that we falling down rapidly. Then under the tion alleged and allowed at Reno is a around he wat and reaching quite to cannot be admitted. We arrive at the the water strikes a black rock. neglect of the heart convention in a his ankles Squembers I have read that critical period. On the proper intercritical period. On the proper intertry to outdo eacother to secure a pas- I can walk a mile in fifteen minutes. Can't senger, just as her cabmen do, and as you?" "Why certainly" We saw the

card?" has wholly replaced the obsolete of inspection of thesy. Although in this some, of vivacious manner, and she has week before Christm it is not very cold, been the recipient of no end of attention. certainly not below; degrees Fahren- Half a dozen Russian officers swarmed helt, the wearing by a men of fur cape around her in the tea room, at dinner, and the lobby of the hotel ok something like obtaining my passport, which, I suspect, has been in the hotel all the time instead mony to ask the clerk a lot of questions. As I take a droshky she is ushered by a that is laden with flowers. At the station the party is reenforced by a group Okyo very much and kept him. of three or four distinguished looking men evening when I go into the dining car there is but one vacant seat, and that at As the dining oar conductor leads me to the original and which the copy. this seat she smiles, and when I have pulled the chair to the table remarks that Kioto to his home, and on his way he passed Ministry and has been assigned a mission South Africa, where she could not accompany him. So she bundled up her the world, stopping in St. Petersburg.

ductor distributes the checks I have a gallant inclination, but hesitate, recol- at lecting that both Mrs. Sherwood and Ruth Ashmore agree that it is not etitravelling expenses. The hesitation lasts not longer than a second and a half, for she hands me the bill for herself and her maid, and says with persuasive sweet ness, "Will you pay this?"

Unpaid Census Takers. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN -SHY: Can any o aiting nine weeks up to this writing NEW YORK, July &.

When Noah Was a Sailor

nah was appalled. he muttered. "suppose Taft conserves his for water pow rewith he made haste to land. prows curse. mercury climbs, Ti heat's write Thipeekboo verse. It den't The outlines thoughs conceal, blemish and serves But coness. WIII appeal. Its textus Just thin. Its thes are quite

And

wind in, through it quick

skin.

OLD JAPANESE ART.

How the Great Masters Learned.

rom an article by Yashio Marking in the Fore-nightly Review.

The Japanese artists tried to communicate with the "souis" of the nature, then paint out their feelings. But first of all boxes of 100, of fifty, of twenty-five, of they practised the handling of the brushes, ten, of five, of three, of two, of one, each This exercise was the most important thing Perhaps Japanese or Chinese smaller packages are of pasteboard with are most skilful about it, because we write letters with brushes, and from four or five years old we all practise to use the brushes. here is the formal way how to hold the brushes and how to draw When they become quite skiiful they feel the tip of the brush is their own hand

Then their ambition is to draw out the souls" on the paper.

For instance, look at the monkey by Sosen. He was the specialist of monkey In his daily life he used to imitate monkey. his manner was exactly like monkey. He felt himself as if he was monkey The readers will see his monkey at the exhibition and find out how well he caught the feeling of monkey

My father used to tell me a most interesting story about a famous artist when I was a child. Unfortunately the artist's name Daimyo. is not in my memory now However, that artist was so esthetic, and he was very the pictures is more like out the pictures is more like night she is concerned with the trans-lating and typewriting establishment was delighted and stayed in the temple Half a year passed, but the artist had done and a pupil of Shubun. He served himself nothing. plain to the priest, saying. That artist is time the Shogun made a golden palace so lazy and not worth of keeping him any and let a great artist, So-tan, pan longer." The priest paid no attention to tures in the golden palace. Unfortunate their complaints. One evening those distheir complaints. One evening those disciples went near the artist's room and looked Sesshu came back from China and became inside through the shoil. To their surprise a paying guest at one of the rich people the artist was quite undressed and dancing in Sakat. He saw gakemono in that in front of a candle, and watching his own and exclaimed. "What a noble art is shadow on a screen. They hurried to their This is so much like that of my friend; master priest and told him that the artist Whoever has done this?" Whereup must be mad. The priest only smiled host replied: "This is by Masanoba. After a few days the artist informed the valet of Shogun." Sesshu went to Kin priest that his picture was done. So the and saw the Shogun. The Shogun said priest and all the disciples went to the art- to Sesshu: "So-tan so unfortunately field Every one of them had such lively movement as if they were going to get life and answered: "Nay, I must not do that. ment as if they were going to get life and come out from the screen. The priest appreciated them so much, but remembering what the disciples told him the priest undressed himself and said to the artist. Those worked them up for the Shogun and his what the disciples told him the priest un-dressed himself and said to the artist, Those haif past 12 my work was done. I asked cranes are just like this," and he danced!

Madame Verleagin who played the The artist was quite pale in his great disappointment and exclaimed: Do those cranes look like human? The priest sincerely apologized to the artist, and told him all what the disciples informed him. but, in fact, those cranes were most excellent. The next day the artist disappeared, and the priest knew not where he was gone.

Evidently the artist began to wander fifty miles to the temple, and watching till the priest and all the disciples were not in that room he stole himself into

There are many traditions in Japan that of wealth lose their fortunes in Europe Kano's horse got life and escaped from the screen and ate the grasses on the palace garden, or Okyo's tiger jumped out from the screen and gave a great trouble to the These are only the traditions, but it is a fact that if one paints something with by the people who look at it. porphyry and alabaster, that seem to old pictures the artists potentialized all realize the descriptions in the book of their feelings, and whenever you look at

as "objective." But he himself is the water now: his most eloquent brush is ever still moving, and telling us "I am the water!"

Okyo was a son of quite a common farmer in Tamba, not very far from Kloto. birth he was fond of painting When he was a little child he used to follow after uniforms, and I finty surmised, maybe the hotel an Singlish woman with her his parents to the rice fields, and while his of their friends, and "How do you dis- wrongly, that they ere making rounds maid. She is tall, slender, quite hand- parents were working he always drew some hirds or animals on the sand with a piece his parents sent him to a temple in his vilage, but he wouldn't become a disciple of the priest either. His parents were so and fur coats is quite meral. This makes have been lavish with carriages. While anxious about his future. They came to the conclusion to send him to Kioto and make him a Samurai. There was a druggist in of at police headquarters, and paying my bill, this popular lady interrupts the cere-Samural came to this druggist and saw that bag. The Samural thought that draw-As I take a droshky she is ushered by a ing was so wonderful. He took Okyo to general, or two or three, into a carriage Kioto and presented him to the noble Daimyo Kameyama The Daimyo admired

Since then Okyo devoted all his time for who have come to bid her adieu. That the art study. He became a pupil of Ishida lutei, a famous artist then. When he was 33 years old he copied a picture by Tesshun Kyo ia great artist in China). Even the

look as though I speak English. The the Mount Oye, where he saw some water-I look as though I speak English. The conversation is brisk and I learn her story, that is, the story which she tells. Her husband is an under officer of the British Kameyama wanted him to paint on a golden screen. So he painted all those views what that requires his presence for six months he saw in the Mount Oye. These were most wonderful pictures. One day he painted a picture of chickens

maid and herself and has gone around and he contributed that picture to the temple Gion. He was so eager to hear the pub where she has many friends. As the conlie criticise. So he disguised himself as a day. One day an old farmer came and l the picture He sighed deeply and said "How pity such a great artist does not Okyo chased after quette for a gentleman to pay a lady's the old farmer to the latter's house and begged him so earnestly to teach him. The farmer said he had been feeding chickens for some forty years, and he knew

the color of feathers changed in every sea son. And in that picture the farmer found out the chickens' feathers were those of autumn, while the grasses in the foreground were those of spring. Okyo was so grateful to this farmer, and he stayed with him some while to study the chickens thoroughly Okyo had a sweetheart whom he loved a dearly. While he was travelling all around the country this woman died in Otau.

was so sad. One night he saw her spiris standing by the side of his pillow. He got up at once and painted that spirit which he saw so plainly. This is most wonderful picture. A Tokio gentleman oshiya Tome-emon, is still keeping this

Rosetsu was the best pupil of Okyo. His "sparrows" can be seen in the same ro Here, again, the artist himself was sparrow He is hopping on the paper with his mar vellously skilful brush! Surely at the mo ment when he was a sparrow he never thought where he was, therefore there is no background, except a few bunches of roses and one or two bamboo leaves, which were his dear and inseparable friends. Sesshu, Motonobu and Masanobu wer

picture.

known as the greatest artists in our history Sesshu was sent to a temple, Tofukuji, and secame a disciple when he was twelve years old, but he would not read the creed. The priest of Tofukuji was very angry. ound the boy to the pillar of the down cellar. The poor boy cried for a while, and when he became silent the priest went down to see how the boy was doing. To his sur

prise the boy was making a picture of m on the sand with his toe, and it was exce The priest admired him very much and him free. A little later on Sesshii was to China to study. At the time Li and were the most celebrated artists in Sessing looked at their arts and they were not at all wonderful, and claimed could not do more than that: must be the others. teacher, then!" So he studied self-taught, and after staving in thin a long while he was celebrated there as

of the greatest artists. When he came back home that the most luxurious Dalmyo ordered to China to get a most val picture, and he paid a great amount oney for that. A picture arrived China at last. Seashu was one of his g and looking at the picture is my own work I have done when in China." The Daimyo had no fa Sesshu and was awfully angry so cleared out Sesshu from the ran away to Iwami. found out the truth that it was Seast courteously invited him. Sessiu was dignant and refused to see such ignora-Next to Sesshu look at Masanoba a space

views! The drawing of little figures in the pictures is more like our ariting. Ear

Masanobu was a great friend of Secar All the disciples began to com- as valet to the Shogun Ashikaga. At the "What a noble art is Whereupon name became so distinguished. The people admired the modestness of Sesshu toward his friend

Monotobu too was a pupil of So-tan When one of his pictures was sent to China the great critic Jo Teltak looked at it and said: "Not even one leaf of the trees was painted without soul. Ever since these five hundred years I have never heard Japan had such a great artist, only if our great Ka Shi Ryo was still living he arrange this picture among Toga-Hokan precious mirrors of fine arts

Robbing the Bishop of His Reer From the Westminster Gazette

The education act appears indirectly to have deprived a Bishop of his beer. The Bishop of Worcester reports that the church day schools of his cathedral city are confronted with demands the Board of Education for improvements costing £6,000. He is determined that the school shall not go under, because the city must remain "Faithful Worcester." For himself he is "resolved to practise such personal economies as the expensive position of president of the diocese admit until the Worcester schools are through. who visit him at Hartlebury Castle must expect women servants and simple fare. Bishop Yeatman Biggs quotes with approval

> A park without deer. A cellar without beer. A house without cheer. The Bishop of Worcester lives here:

Which will, he says, he more true than in the cast

Intolerance in Alsace-Lorraine

From the London Globe. Tolerance is not the most important factor is the German rule of the conquered provinces Alsace-Lorraine, as an instance from Gueball shows. A merchant had his telephone together with his name, painted above his forgetful that an ordinance passed two years required authorization to put any legend in Fra on a building. The merchant spelled his name of the law, and forthwith the merchant received a formal letter intimating that his name must appear as "Camil" and "telephone" as "telephon."

High Value of Lands in Southern France. From Daily Consular and Trade Repo

and treated accordingly

Intensively cultivated alluvial lands in southern France are worth \$650 to \$800 an acre, especial in the Valley of Basse-Durance, where fruit and vegetable growing is carried on tement of an agricultural authority quoted Consul-General A. Gaulin of Marseilles. On the hillsides of Roquevaire, where many aptrees are planted among other vegetation the value of the land does not exceed \$60 to \$200 as acre. This range of \$80 to \$800 represents the limit of variation in the value of lands on which fruit is cultivated. Another authority says that vineyards in southern France are worth \$280 to \$400 and flower and vegetable lands \$400 to

Perplexity of a Chicago Janitor Artist TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir Is George Washington losing his popularity? I am a janited in this city, but am taking great interest in painting and have worked for weeks evenings to get leture for the Fourth of July. 1 st and had copies printed, but nobody wanted to

A Jeffries-Johnson picture went like hot cakes, but George and Martha Washington coul be sold for the small price of ten cents. Does the average citizen of this country really know the meaning of the Fourth of July and does be know the man that gave us freedom? These he know the man that gave us freedom! are questions I would like to have answered CHICAGO, July 8.

Smokeless Coal. From the Mining World. Smokeless fuel is now made from coal by fe

noving the greater portion of volatile matter My Automokangaroo. Cross-country riding in specially designed cotors is to be the next fad. - Exchange. She jumps,

She bumps. She crosses the thank you marms Of a swarm of fleas On African monkey farms. As the beautiful sky And travels along the blue Like a fleecy cloud Sun kissed and proud My automokangaros

She wings. She springs. She leaps o'er the underbrush With the easy grace Of a fairy race Frought up in the sedges lush She cleaves the dark Like the homebound lark With a note that is strong and true

Now here, now ther: On carth, in air My automokangaro She slides O'er the bills and the leafy vale

She never stops For the shouting cops. But speeds like the winter's gales She never sleeps, But leaps and leaps. And leaps all the glad hours With never a tire

My automokangaron She hops. She pops,

She chugs along Right swift and strong With her liggling, loggling ga She doesn't bust Nor clog with dust The way other motors do. But lightly trips

With never a pause or wait.

And vaults and skips-My automokangaren CARLYDE SMITH